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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT

: Status of Agency Personnel in the Republic of Vietnam

REFERENCES: A. IN 42321, 2 February 1968

B. IN 42329, 2 February 1968

C. IN 42400, 2 February 1968

- 1. In Reference A, Ambassador Koren advised the Danang Regional Officer that as of 2 a.m., 2 February (EST), he had received names of US civilians currently located at the MACV compound in Hue and that the list did not mention any Agency employees. The welfare of our personnel and their whereabouts remain unknown.
- 2. Reference B indicates that Agency medical facilities and logistics facilities in Saigon are operating around the clock. Supplies are being drawn from and loaded at Vung Tau for shipment to regions where necessary. Most male personnel at the Duc Hotel are armed. Female employees living in unsecure areas have been moved to this hotel. Of the 100 personnel present at the Duc Hotel, twothirds are male. Agency communications is considered excellent in South Vietnam and in Saigon -- situation considered. Should the Saigon Air Base become inoperational, the Station plans to ship supplies and equipment to regions direct from Okinawa.

3. The last reference (C) indicates that was visited on 2 February at 0200 Hours (EST) and is in good spirits and will recover.

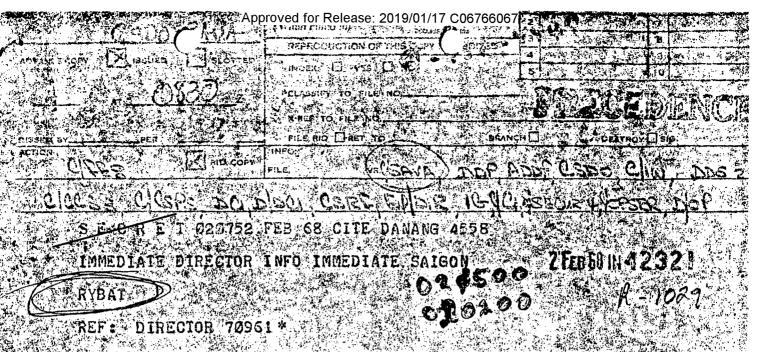
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- 1. AMBASSADOR KOREN ADVISED DRO AT 1500 HOURS ON 2
  FEBRUARY THAT HE HAD RECEIVED NAMES OF U.S. CIVILIANS CURRENTLY.
  LOCATED MACY COMPOUND IN HUE. LIST INCLUDED ONLY ONE RPT ONE
  CORDS EMPLOYEE. NONE RPT NONE OF PERSONNEL LISTED DANANG 4541
  WERE INCLUDED. THEIR WHEREABOUTS AND SITUATION THEREFORE STILL
  REMAINS UNKNOWN. AMBASSADOR TRANSMITTING NAMES ON LIST TO
  SAIGON VIA HIS CHANNELS.
- 2. TO BEST AMBASSADOR'S AND OUR KNOWLEDGE, USMC FORCE STILL ONLY HOLDS LCU PAMP AREA, MACV COMPOUND, AND SECTOR HQS. EFFORTS REACH CORDS OFFICES, INSTALLATIONS, AND RESIDENCES HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL.
- 3. DRO HAS HAD HELICOPTER ORBITING OVER HUE ON 2 FEBRUARY?
  IN EFFORT ESTABLISH RADIO CONTACT WITH ANY OUR PERSONNEL. NO
  POSITIVE RESULTS HAVE YET BEEN RECEIVED.

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	*Requests a listing of all station personnel whose presers 3(h)(2)
r	whereabouts and situation are not known to Saigon. 3 5(c)
	**Reports that all Region I personnel accounted for except
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WEAPONS HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO ALL PERSONNEL COMPETENT TO USE THEM.

CEFICIAL INSTALLATIONS. MEDICAL FACILITIES AT YENDO AND LOG FACILITIES AT TENONE MINH MY ARE OPERATING AROUND CLOCK. SUPPLIES NOW BEING DRAWN FROM AND LOADED AT VUNG TAU FOR SHIPMENT TO REGIONS WHEN NECESSARY.

ARMED AND, WHEN IN INSECURE AREAS, WOMEN HAVE BEEN MOVED TO DUC. PRESENT DUC HOTEL POPULATION HUMBERS 100, TWO-THIRDS OF WHICH ARE MALES.

4. CONSIDERING THE SITUATION, WE HAVE EXCELLENT COMMUNICATIONS THROUGHOUT SOUTH VIETNAM AND IN THE CITY OF

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MR. KENNETH FERGUSON WAS VISITED THIS DATE 1900 MRS. HE AS IN GOOD SPIRITS AND WILL RECOVER.

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